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REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Applicant : Burchell et al.
App. No : 09/972,105
Filed : October 4, 2001
For : PRENATAL DIAGNOSTIC METHODS
Examiner : Lisa V. Cook
Art Unit : 1641

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

This Request for Continued Examination (RCE) is being made as follows:

1. Submission Required under 37 CFR 1.114:

- (X) Previously submitted:
(X) Consider the Amendment/Response under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on November 23, 2005.

2. Fees:

| FEE CALCULATION | | | | |
|-------------------|--|----------------|----------------------|----------------|
| FEE TYPE | | FEE CODE | CALCULATION | TOTAL |
| RCE Fee | | 1801 (\$790) | | \$790 |
| 3 Month Extension | | 1253 (\$1,020) | | \$1,020 |
| | | | TOTAL FEE DUE | \$1,810 |

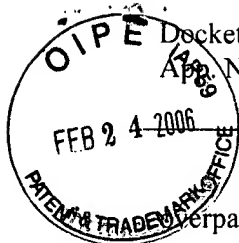
- (X) An extension of time is hereby requested by payment of the appropriate fee indicated above.

3. Payment:

- (X) Check in the amount of \$1,810 to cover the above fees.

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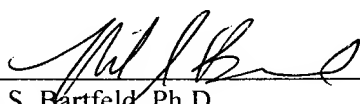
Please charge any additional fees, including any fees for additional extension of time, or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 11-1410.

4. Other Enclosures:

(X) Return Postcard.

Respectfully submitted,
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Dated: February 21, 2006



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